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S. RES. 592

Commending the Tennessee Valley Authority on its 75th anniversary.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JUNE 12, 2008

Mr. ALEXANDER (for himself, Mr. CORKER, Mr. COCHRAN, and Mr. WICKER)
submitted the following resolution; which was considered and agreed to

RESOLUTION

Commending the Tennessee Valley Authority on its 75th
anniversary.

Whereas May 18, 2008, marks the 75th anniversary of the
Tennessee Valley Authority;

Whereas the Tennessee Valley Authority was created by Con-
gress in 1933 to improve navigation along the Tennessee
River, reduce the risk of flood damage, provide electric
power, and promote agricultural and industrial develop-
ment in the region;

Whereas the Tennessee Valley Authority Act of 1933 (16
U.S.C. 831 et seq.) was signed into law by President
Franklin D. Roosevelt on May 18, 1933;

Whereas the Tennessee Valley Authority continues to serve
the Tennessee Valley, providing reliable and affordable

electricity, managing the Tennessee River system, and stimulating economic growth;

Whereas the Tennessee Valley Authority provides more electricity than any other public utility in the Nation and has competitive rates and reliable transmission;

Whereas the Tennessee Valley Authority is expanding its environmental policy to increase its renewable energy sources, improve energy efficiency, and provide clean energy in the Tennessee Valley region;

Whereas the Tennessee Valley Authority continues to reduce power plant emissions and is working to further improve air quality for the health of individuals in the Tennessee Valley region;

Whereas the Tennessee Valley Authority is a leader in the nuclear power industry, with multi-site nuclear power operations that provide approximately 30 percent of the Tennessee Valley Authority's power supply;

Whereas, as part of NuStart Energy Consortium, the Tennessee Valley Authority submitted one of the first combined operating license applications for a new nuclear power plant in 30 years;

Whereas the Tennessee Valley Authority's integrated management of the Tennessee River system provides a wide range of benefits that include providing electrical power, reducing floods, facilitating freight transportation, improving water quality and supply, enhancing recreation, and protecting public land;

Whereas the Tennessee Valley Authority builds business and community partnerships that foster economic prosperity, helping companies and communities attract investments

that bring good jobs to the Tennessee Valley region and keep them there; and

Whereas the Tennessee Valley Authority no longer receives appropriations to help fund its activities in navigation, flood control, environmental research, and land management, because the Tennessee Valley Authority pays for all its activities through power sales and issuing bonds: Now, therefore, be it

1 *Resolved*, That the Senate—

2 (1) commends the Tennessee Valley Authority
3 on its 75th anniversary;

4 (2) recognizes the Tennessee Valley Authority
5 for its long and proud history of service in the areas
6 of energy, the environment, and economic develop-
7 ment in a service area that includes 7 States;

8 (3) honors the accomplishments of the Board of
9 Directors, retirees, staff, and supporters of the Ten-
10 nessee Valley Authority who were instrumental dur-
11 ing the Tennessee Valley Authority's first 75 years;
12 and

13 (4) directs the Secretary of the Senate to trans-
14 mit a copy of this resolution to the Chairman of the
15 Board of the Tennessee Valley Authority, Bill
16 Sansom, and the Chief Executive Officer of the Ten-
17 nessee Valley Authority, Tom Kilgore, for appro-
18 priate display.

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